

**SMITHTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING**

June 24, 2008

Held in Joseph M. Barton Bldg.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Carl Gianino, President of the Board of Education.

Members present:

Carl E. Gianino  
Theresa Knox  
Louis Liguori

Robert Rossi  
Joseph T. Saggese  
Gladys M. Waldron

Neil S. Carlin, Member-elect

Members absent:

Kalervo Raustiala

Also present:

Edward Ehmann, Superintendent  
Mary Cahill, Asst. Supt.  
Joan Niles, Asst. Supt.  
Karen Ricigliano, Asst. Supt.  
Peter G. Albert, Board Counsel  
Visitors  
Mary Wilson, District Clerk

**OPENING CEREMONY** - conducted by Mr. Gianino. On motion by Mr. Saggese, seconded by Mr. Rossi, the Board voted unanimously to convene in Executive Session to discuss Particular Personnel, Negotiations and Litigation.

At 8:10 p.m. Mrs. Waldron moved, Mr. Liguori seconded, and the Board reconvened the Regular Meeting.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**Presentation of Awards**

**On receiving a National DECA Scholarship**

Cassandra Gengler    HS East  
Kelly Hall  
Linda Sanchez  
Emily Wong

**On receiving 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the Nation at the 2008 International DECA Conference**

Bryan Kane            HS West

**On receiving Top Ten in the Nation at the 2008 International DECA Conference**

Alyssa Mierjeski    HS West

**For your participation in the Scott Polese Project**

**DOGWOOD ELEMENTARY**

Joshua Blatt  
Brian Kesse  
Skylar King  
William Setters  
Stacy Wiener

Lori Gottheim's Class

Sean Hardware  
Margaret Hayes  
Kevin Heil  
Amanda Jarvis  
Kathleen Keese  
Christopher Stahlman  
Jayde Weis

Lori Gottheim's Class

Jonathan Chocko  
Sarah Collins  
Thomas Connor  
Ariana Costa  
Dustin Dispenza  
Andrew Ferrante  
Kenneth Griffin  
Devon Hennessy  
Jessica Jang  
Kimberly Marinos  
Juliana Migliorino  
Paul Mumolo  
Luke Peterson  
Samantha Rezende  
Samantha Romano  
Nattarika Saengkueankao  
Danielle Santos  
Paige Stoessel  
Evren Uludag  
Joseph VanderWaag  
Jenna Vici  
Brian Willetts

Michelle Krug's Class

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Section A - Correspondence - The following correspondence was presented for the Board's review.

1. Letter to Board of Education from Kevin P. Sheerin regarding reinstatement.
2. Letter to Board of Education from Ms. Carole Palmer regarding reunion.

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox that the correspondence in Section A, as listed above, be received and that the recommendations of the administration (where indicated) be accepted.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

Section B - General Communications – The following general communications were presented for the Board's review.

1. WS BOCES Minutes of May 13, 2008

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox that the above general correspondence be accepted.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Extension of Lease with First Discovery Montessori School**

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to extend the lease agreement with the First Discovery Montessori School for its use of space, the equivalence of three classrooms, in the Charles D. Ahern Annex of the Joseph M. Barton Building, from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, at a rental fee of \$52,000.00, plus \$8,000.00 for the use of the gymnasium.

Discussion – Mr. Liguori noted that he had previously questioned that the lease does not delineate which party is responsible for maintaining certain portions of the facility. Mr. Albert responded that he looked at the original lease, which goes back to 1996. It states that we, as the landlord, are responsible for all of the major systems on the premises which includes the air conditioning and heating. After back-and-forth discussion it was suggested that the District require the First Discovery Montessori School provide the District a copy of each annual inspection report and notification of violations regarding the facilities.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**Bid Recommendations**

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following bid recommendations be approved as submitted herein:

07-19 Ext. Chiller Service at High School East

Discussion – Mr. Rossi asked what the outcome was of his question regarding certain rates included in the bid. Mr. Ehmann responded that after the question regarding Invoice plus 25% he spoke with Mr. Goldman and Mr. Piro – the answer is that it is a wholesale price that is verified by our Facilities people before Purchasing approves it. Mr. Rossi questioned that there is no parts book. Mr. Ehmann stated that Purchasing has many reference sheets and checks to make sure that we are getting the best wholesale price. Mr. Rossi stated that he is uncomfortable with this and would like to see it re-bid.

VOTE ON MOTION: YES Mrs. Knox, Mrs. Waldron  
NO Mr. Liguori, Mr. Saggese, Mr. Rossi, Mr. Gianino

MOTION DOES NOT CARRY.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS****Facilities**

Mr. Liguori reported that a meeting had been held on June 19<sup>th</sup> during which H2M gave a preliminary schedule prioritizing the projects. At that meeting the Board asked that several projects be moved up on the priority list.

**Business Affairs**

Mr. Saggese reported that a meeting had been held on June 17<sup>th</sup> during which discussion was held on the bus proposal. There is some concern regarding the size of the increase in cost. Some of the options available were thought to be going forward with the bid, re-bid, RFP. A major problem is that the proposal is coming very late – six weeks prior to the end of the school year.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (cont'd.)**

**Updates** – The Superintendent brought the Board up-to-date on the following items of interest:

- High School Business Teacher Phil Como was awarded Teacher of the Year 2008 by members of the SCBTA (Suffolk County Business Teachers Association). The award represents excellence in Business Education and innovation in new programs.
- Smithtown's Multi-Cultural Club raised approximately \$700 through fundraising for Operation Smile. Because of this, three disadvantaged children in another part of the world will be able to receive reconstructive cleft palate surgery.
- Danielle Toritto, a junior at High School East, participated in the New York State Meet in the 800 meter run in Buffalo. In addition, the Smithtown High School East 4 by 400 Meter Relay Team broke the 25-year-old school record of 4:08.1 that was set in 1983 at HS West. The team members are: Shanna Brady, Marianne Royce, Rachael Zysset and Danielle Toritto. These young ladies ran 4:06.11.
- Tackan Elementary received a "Picturing America" grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).
- In a joint partnership between Nesconset Music teacher Mr. Frank Scheno, and the Nesconset Elementary School PTA, a group of fifth grade students were invited to sing the National Anthem at a Ducks baseball game this past Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Candice Clifford and Kerrin Heedles, both seniors at Smithtown High School East, were awarded the first Mary Cahill Scholarship, established by the Nesconset PTA in honor of Mrs. Cahill's 36 years of service. The scholarship recognizes a former Nesconset Elementary student who plans to major in education. In the fall, Candice will be attending the University of Scranton and Kerrin will be attending Mitchell Community College.
- At Accomsett Elementary the theme of PARP (Parents As Reading Partners) this year was to "Read Around the Town." The month was filled with engaging activities, and with a challenge to collectively read 200,000 minutes. The students were so motivated, that they read over 316,000 minutes.
- Mills Pond Elementary kindergarten students performed in the big top in the gymnasium to put on a wonderful production. The crowd was "wowed" by the clowns, tightrope walkers, elephants, lions, poodles, popcorn vendors, monkeys, horses, flying trapeze and strong people. The children performed circus songs and sang a medley of patriotic tunes in honor of Flag Day.

**Committee on Special Education**

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mr. Rossi that the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for cases 191639, 301287, 300123, 306170, 304668, 173466, 305669, 304025, 309229, 305011, 303969, 305036, 000033, 0000027, 302111, 301995, 304027, 302641, 306145, 000031, 000032, 303924, 302935, 305367, 152750, 304257, 309295 and 000028 be approved.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**Sub-Committee on Special Education**

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mr. Rossi that the recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Special Education for cases 302846, 301896, 304519, 200605, 200114, 308462, 308282, 308389, 308015, 307932, 307930, 181217, 181215, 195309, 195299, 305860, 193319, 175098, 176966, 308546, 305671, 305186, 304709, 305785, 161440, 175888, 162940, 180118, 306813, 173527, 175155, 179388, 180217, 174578, 306750, 304239, 150470, 302696, 175118, 200982, 176527, 172927, 183348, 301451, 173558, 196469, 175566, 174846, 173906, 303512, 201114, 200260, 302150, 200112, 200959, 200534, 192719, 195979, 301354, 307160, 160400, 301063, 301000, 301040, 301791, 302238, 301617, 303837, 303934, 200400, 189049, 200062, 304455, 301531, 159860, 300283, 302437, 303128, 305619, 304951, 305064, 301102, 301265, 305652, 303978,

302496, 301517, 303879, 306074, 307040, 302112, 300264, 302243, 307312, 307589 and 308460 be approved.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**Committee on Preschool Special Education**

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mr. Rossi that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education for Initial Placement – Program/Services for cases P309310, P308844, P309270, P309270, P309241, P308513, P309329 and P309283 be approved.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mr. Rossi that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education for Annual IEP Review/Amended IEP for cases P308547, P308547, P308531a, P308531, P308252, P308251, P308525, P308274 P308085, P308205, P308516, P308512, P308580, P308057, P306158, P308198, P308655, P306824 and P308526 be approved.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**Calendar for June and July 2008** - The calendars were reviewed and amended by the Board.

**Project SAVE 2008 Update – District-wide Code of Conduct Revision**

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the attached revision of the Project SAVE Code of Conduct.

All aye. Motion carried. (6-0).

**Litigation** – was discussed during the earlier Executive Session.

**INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT**

**School Report Card**

Ms. Cahill announced that the presentation this evening would be on the School Report Card. Ms. Cahill noted that the report will begin by giving a quick overview of the “spectacular results” that were received in grades 3 through 8 on the NY State testing in math and English Language Arts. Ms. Cahill also noted that there has been some difficulty with the NY State website. Ms. Jennifer Bradshaw, Director of Curriculum, used a PowerPoint presentation to go over the accountability report.

**Overnight Field Trip Request – Smithtown High School East and West Boys’ and Girls’ Cross Country Teams – October 17-18, 2008 – Brown Invitational – Brown University, Providence, RI**

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron seconded by Mrs. Knox that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that permission is granted for 40 students from Smithtown High School East and West Boys’ and Girls’ Cross Country Teams to participate in the Brown Invitational at Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island. Students will depart October 17, 2008 and return October 18, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**Section C - Audience** - Mr. Gianino welcomed the members of the audience and called speakers to the podium from the sign-in sheet.

1. Linda Gerver thanked the Board and Administration for the wonderful education and experience her children have received in the Smithtown School District.

**BUSINESS AFFAIRS**

**Finance**

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox approving Finance Items 1 – 23 on a consent motion.

Discussion: With respect to Item #'s 18 & 19 Ms. Niles noted that she will be sending a letter to R. S. Abrams to clarify that they should be requesting management representation letters from the STA and SSEA.

Mr. Saggese asked for clarification regarding Item #22 – Increase in 2008-09 Budget and Revenues.

Mr. Saggese asked for back-up material regarding Item #23 – Resolution to Fund Various Reserves.

Mr. Rossi asked if there is a total amount of money that the Board is approving in Item #21. It was agreed that the wording would be changed to be more specific, adding, “on Superintendent’s Conference Day, November 4, 2008.”

**VOTE on Finance Items 1-20 and 22-23** – All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mr. Rossi amending the wording on Item 21 as follows:

21. Contract with Patrick Vennebush - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to execute a contract with the following individual, as a Staff Developer, **on Superintendent’s Conference Day, November 4, 2008**, for the 2008-09 school year, at a fee of \$500.00 per day plus expenses:

Patrick Vennebush  
294 Gundry Drive  
Falls Church, VA 22046

**VOTE on Finance Item 21 as AMENDED** – All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

1. Budgetary Transfers – upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following budgetary transfers of funds be approved for the 2007-08 school year:

FROM:	See attached list	\$348,322.41
TO:	See attached list	\$348,322.41
FROM:	1620-408-53-0000	\$7,000.00
TO:	1621-553-53-0000	\$7,000.00
FROM:	See attached list	\$986,499.27

TO:	See attached list	\$986,499.27
FROM:	2250-449-51-0000 Prof/Tech	\$20,000.00
TO:	2250-471-51-0000 Tuition NYS	\$20,000.00

2. Bid Recommendations - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following bid recommendations are approved as submitted herein:

04-21 Ext.	Electrical Labor Services
05-26 Ext.	Installation of Cesspool
05-34 Ext.	Public Address & Intercom System Service & Maintenance
08-27	Athletic Supplies

3. Contracts for ESYP Field Trips – upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following organizations, for the 2008-09 school year, at the rate listed, for Extended School Year Program field trips:

Gateway Playhouse  
 215 South Country Road  
 P.O. Box 5  
 Bellport, NY 11713  
 Reservation total: \$650.00  
 Jack & the Beanstalk - @ Patchogue Theatre 7/18/08

Janice Buckner  
 P.O. Box 154  
 Huntington, NY 11743  
 Reservation total: \$700.00  
 Puppetry Concert/Song @ St. James Elementary School 7/24/08

Katie's Puppets  
 P.O. Box 316  
 Shoreham, NY 11786  
 Reservation total: \$500.00  
 2 shows/workshops @ St. James Elementary School 8/5/08

National Amusements  
 200 Elm Street  
 Dedham, MA 02036  
 Reservation total: \$942.50 for 130 people  
 Island 16 Theatre 8/8/08

Sweetbriar Nature Center  
 62 Eckernkamp Drive  
 Smithtown, NY 11787  
 Reservation total: \$495.00  
 5 Senses/Discovering Nature 7/25/08

Trickster Productions  
 13 Amboy Road  
 Oakdale, NY 11769  
 Reservation total: \$500.00  
 Magic Show @ St. James Elementary School 7/1/08

White Post Farms

350 Old Country Road  
Melville, NY 11747  
Admission: \$7.00 per person

4. Contracts for Adult Continuing Education Instructors - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following individuals/organizations for the 2008-09 school year, as part of the Adult Continuing Education Program, at the rates indicated:

Dina Elardo dba Complete Legal Forms  
126 Division Avenue  
Massapequa, NY 11758  
Notary Public Training Course \$45.00 per student  
Notary Signing Agent Course \$50.00 per student

Netstuff.Com Inc.  
3 Nesconset Avenue  
Nesconset, NY 11767  
\$20.00 per hour

Tom Perricone dba Long Island Safety (spring class only)  
52 Ocean Avenue  
Center Moriches, NY 11934  
\$52.00 per student

Suffolk Safety Program (Linda Greco)  
P.O. Box 12  
Islip, NY 11751  
\$28.00 per student

And, be it further RESOLVED, that that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following individuals/organizations for the 2008-09 school year, as volunteers, as part of the Adult Continuing Education Program:

Karen Godfrey, CDFA, CFA and Michael McCrain, MS, CPA, CDFA, Financial Advisor  
4250 Veteran's Highway  
Suite 3020W  
Holbrook, NY 11941

Shelly Newman, CFP, AAMS, ChFC, CRPC  
c/o Edward Jones  
2193 Jericho Turnpike  
Commack, NY 11725

5. Agreement with SCOPE Education Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the Smithtown Central School District and SCOPE Education Services for the Summer Explorations Program at Nesaquake Middle School for the period of July 7, 2008 through August 1, 2008.
6. Contracts for Special Education Private School Placement - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts for the 2008-09 school year with the private and public schools/organizations listed below for the placement of students with handicapping conditions, as approved by the Committee on Special Education:

Ascent School for Students with Autism  
Association for the Help of Retarded Children (AHRC)  
Developmental Disabilities Institute (DDI)



The Devereaux Foundation, New York  
The Devereaux Foundation, Glenholme  
Eastern Suffolk BOCES  
Genesis School/Eden 11  
Harborfields Central School District  
Harmony Heights  
Hauppauge Central School District  
Island Trees School District  
Kings Park Central School District  
Martin C. Barel/NSSA  
Maryhaven Center of Hope  
Nassau BOCES  
New York Institute for Special Education  
New York Institute of Technology (NYIT)  
Sachem Central School District  
Sappo School  
Shoreham-Wading River Central School District  
UCP of Greater Suffolk, Inc.-The Children's Center  
UPC Sullivan County/Center for Discovery  
Variety Child Learning Center  
West Park Union Free School District  
Western Suffolk BOCES

7. Contracts for Interpreting Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following organizations to provide Interpreting Services (any language) during the 2008-09 school year, at the rates indicated:

MMR Enterprises  
"Multi-Language Communication Specialists"  
P.O. Box 525  
Northport, NY 11768-2041  
\$85.00 per three hour min.  
\$40.00 travel charge

BinLinguals Incorporated  
33 Walt Whitman Road  
Suite 300B  
Huntington Station, NY 11746  
Elementary Psychology:  
\$445.00 Spanish  
\$580.00 other language  
Secondary Psychology:  
\$500 Spanish  
\$605 other language  
Elementary Speech:  
\$370.00 Spanish  
\$445.00 other language  
Secondary Speech:  
\$395.00 Spanish  
\$500.00 other language  
Elementary Academic:  
\$340.00 Spanish  
\$395.00 other language  
Elementary Social History  
\$225.00 Spanish  
\$265.00 other language  
Secondary Social History  
\$225.00 Spanish  
\$290.00 other language

8. Contract for ESY Presentation - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the following organization, for a presentation, "Mrs. Bee & the Buzz About Bees", July 7, 2008 at the St. James Elementary Extended School Year Program for a total cost of \$250.00:

Moira Alexander  
Nissequogue Apiaries  
25 Dawn Drive  
Smithtown, NY 11787"

9. Contracts for Assistive Technology Services -upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following organizations for the 2008-09 school year, at the rates listed below, to provide Assistive Technology Services:

Abilities (Kornreich Center)  
201 I.U. Willets Road  
Albertson, NY 11507  
\$175.00 direct evaluation  
\$100.00 per hour indirect evaluation  
\$150.00 per hour for screening  
\$15.00 per hour for training

Majik 4 Kids Assistive Technology Services  
74 Mahogany Road  
Rocky Point, NY 11778  
\$400.00 per evaluation  
\$70.00 per hour for support services, training

10. Contracts for Vision and Computer Technology Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following individual/organization, for the 2008-09 school year, to provide vision and computer technology services for the visually impaired at the rates listed:

Phyllis M. Schwartz  
485 Coakley Street  
East Meadow, NY 11554  
\$80.00 pre hour

Metro Therapy  
P.O. Box 6005  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
\$50.00 per 30 min. individual vision

11. Contracts for Nursing Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following organizations, for the 2008-09 school year, to provide the following services at the rates listed:

Interim Healthcare, Inc.  
207 Hallock Road, Suite 201  
Stony Brook, NY 11790  
\$42.00 per hour Licensed Practical Nurse  
\$51.00 per hour Registered Nurse  
\$23.00 per hour Aides

Island Home Care Agency, Inc.

475 East Main Street, Suite 215  
Patchogue, NY 11772  
\$45.00 per hour – Licensed Practical Nurse  
\$60.00 per hour – Registered Nurse

Lewin Services, Inc.  
165 Oliver Street  
Riverhead, NY 11901  
\$42.00 per hour - Licensed Practical Nurse

Town Total Health  
6 East 32<sup>nd</sup> Street  
New York, NY 10016  
\$48.00 per hour – Licensed Practical Nurse  
\$56.00 per hour – Registered Nurse

12. Contracts for Audiological Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following organizations for the 2008-09 school year, to provide audiological/hearing and FM maintenance services, at the rates indicated:

Acoustic Achievements  
16 Victory Street  
Ronkonkoma, NY 11779  
Hearing Services:  
\$150.00 per hour for consultation to child with Cochlear Implant  
\$100.00 per hour for group speech/cochlear habilitation sessions @ Acoustic  
\$650.00 Evaluation  
\$150.00 per hour for classroom observation/teacher consultation  
\$130.00 per consultation @ Acoustic Achievement

The Children's Hearing Institute  
310 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY 10003  
FM System/Hearing Services:  
\$150.00 per hour for FM maintenance  
(Establish FM monitoring protocol, review of troubleshooting technology-  
2 hrs. per session, 2 time a year)

Smithtown Hearing Service  
300 East Main Street  
Smithtown, NY 11787  
Audiological Services:  
\$300.00 Initial Fitting (hearing aids)  
\$75.00 per session for Evaluation  
\$60.00 per each individual earpiece mold  
\$100.00 per pair for two earpiece molds”

13. Reading, Home/ Hospital Instruction and Tutoring Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following organizations to provide reading, home/hospital instruction and tutoring services, for the 2008-09 school year, at the rates indicated:

Access & Consulting, Inc.  
25 Fenimore Lane  
Huntington, NY 11743  
Reading/Instruction/Evaluations:  
\$100.00 per 40 min. individual reading instruction

\$45.00 per 40 min. group reading instruction  
\$90.00 per class (Kindergarten push-in)  
\$200.00 evaluations  
\$250.00 Spanish bilingual evaluations

Creative Tutoring  
1120 Old Country Road  
Plainview, NY 11803  
Tutoring:  
\$44.26 per hour individual

Education Inc.  
775 Main Street  
Unit B  
West Dennis, MA 02670  
Home/hospital Instruction:  
\$49.00 per hour

Islip Tutoring  
955 Main Street  
Suite 3  
Holbrook, NY 11741  
Home Instruction:  
\$38.00 per hour

PEC Inc.  
211-4 East Montauk Highway  
Hampton Bays, NY 11946  
Home/Hospital Instruction  
\$42.50 per hour not to exceed 10 hrs. per week

14. Contract for Parent Training and Behavioral Support - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following individuals/organizations to provide Parent Training and Behavioral support (ABA) services/consultations, for the 2008-09 school year, at the rates indicated:

Behavior Analysis Team  
832 North Broadway  
Suite A  
Amityville, NY 11701  
Behavior Specialist Services:  
\$125.00 per hour, 5 hrs. per week for Behavior Specialist  
Consultation, Behavior Evaluations (FBA), Behavior  
Intervention Plan (BIP)

Eden II Programs  
270 Washington Avenue  
Plainview, NY 11803  
Behavioral Services:  
\$145.00 per hour for Direct ABA, School Consultation,  
In-Home Coordination & Parent Training,  
Counseling, Group Social Skills, Outreach Clinic  
\$105.00 per hour for In-Home Supervision  
\$84.00 per hour for In-Home Special Ed/Itinerant Teacher  
\$37.00 per hour for In-Home Teacher Assistant/Itinerant  
Teacher Assistant

Anthony Hollander  
832 North Broadway  
Amityville, NY 11701

Behavior Analysis/Consultation:  
\$125.00 per hour

Helping Hands Children Services LLC  
191 Sweet Hollow Road  
Old Bethpage, NY 11804  
ABA Services:  
\$40.00 per hour ABA services home/school  
\$90.00 per hour ABA Consultation

LI Developmental Consulting  
2233 Nesconset Highway  
Suite 205  
Lake Grove, NY 11755  
Parent Training:  
\$115.00 per hour Consultation, Parent Training

Lisa DiFiore-Ridolph  
31 South Avenue  
Smithtown, NY 11787  
Behavioral Consultation:  
\$115.00 per hour

Out-East Therapy  
P.O. Box 1312  
Center Moriches, NY 11934  
Behavioral Services:  
\$52.00 per hour In-Home Behavior Specialist/Itinerant  
Behavior Specialist

SUNY-Stony Brook  
Department of Psychiatry Behavioral Science  
Division of Development Disabilities  
Stony Brook, NY 11790  
Consultation/Parent Training:  
\$125.00 per hour In service training and consultation to staff,  
students and/or parents  
\$500.00 Staff Presentations  
\$300.00 each additional repeat presentation

15. Job Coaching and Staff Development Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following individual/organizations, to provide Job Coaching and Staff Development services for the 2008-09 school year at the rates indicated:

Career & Employment Options  
1 Rabro Drive  
Suite 102  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
Job Coaching:  
\$6,500.00 per month for three students,  
\$500.00 each additional student per month for  
Level II & III Assessments, Job Development/Placement,  
World of Work Tours, Employment Classes, Internships,  
Community Access Training and Travel Training

Samuel M. Fleisher, Ed. D.  
73 Jayson Avenue  
Great Neck, NY 11021  
Staff Development Services:

\$500.00 per three hour Superintendent's Conference  
\$400.00 per additional three hour repeat presentation

Skills Unlimited Inc.  
405 Locust Avenue  
Oakdale, NY 11769  
Job Coaching:  
\$50.00 per hour Job Development  
\$30.00 per hour Job Coaching, Vocational Training/Evaluation  
\$75.00 per half day

16. Contract for Occupational and Physical Therapy and Speech Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following organizations for the 2008-09 school year, to provide Occupational and Physical Therapy and Speech services at the rates indicated:

Achievement Therapies, LLC  
P.O. Box 878  
Shoreham, NY 11786  
OT/PT/Speech:  
\$140.00 In District evaluation  
\$75.00 per session or screening in District  
\$29.00 per 30 min. group in District  
\$43.00 per 45 min. group in District  
\$60.00 per 45 min. individual in District  
\$40.00 per 30 min. individual in District  
\$40.00 per 30 min. CSE in District  
\$88.00 per 60 min. individual out of District  
\$66.00 per 45 min. individual out of District  
\$44.00 per 30 min. individual out of District  
\$43.00 per 45 min. group out of District  
\$29.00 per 30 min. group out of District

All About Kids  
255 Executive Drive  
Suite LI 105/108  
Plainview, NY 11803  
OT/PT:  
\$40.00 per 30 min. individual OT, PT, Speech  
\$40.00 group rate for first child,  
\$15.00 per each additional child

Ann E. Gordon Associates  
207 Hallock Road  
Stony Brook, NY 11790  
Speech:  
\$45.00 per 30 min. individual speech (on/off site)  
\$60.00 per 30 min. group speech (on/off site)  
\$250.00 per 1.5 hrs. Speech Evaluation  
\$500.00 per 3 hrs. Speech Evaluation

Central Park Therapy  
150 Broadhollow Road  
Suite 104  
Melville, NY 11747  
OT/PT:  
\$50.00 per 30 min. individual OT/PT  
\$46.00 per 30 min. group OT/PT  
\$65.00 per 30 min. in home services

\$130.00 Evaluation

Empowering Minds Therapy, Inc.  
38 Buckingham Drive  
Holbrook, NY 11741  
Speech, OT, PT:  
\$100.00 per hour  
\$75.00 per 45 min.  
\$50.00 per 30 min.

Island Therapies of Suffolk  
12 Brandywine Drive  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
OT/PT/Speech:  
\$60.00 per 30 min.

Island Tutoring Center  
P.O. Box 5031  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
Speech:  
\$47.50 per 30 min. individual speech  
\$57.50 per 30 min. group speech

Kids in Action  
252 Islip Avenue  
Route 111  
Islip, NY 11751  
OT/PT:  
\$45.00 per 30 min. session  
\$67.50 per 45 min. session  
\$90.00 per 60 min. session  
\$55.00 per 30 min. group session of four children

L & M MultiSensory Instruction  
905 Main Street  
Pt. Jefferson, NY 11777  
Speech:  
\$65.00 per 30 min. on site  
\$75.00 per 30 min. off site

Metro Therapy Inc.  
P.O. Box 6005  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
OT/PT/Speech:  
\$39.00 per 30 min. OT/PT (all OT/PT services)  
\$59.00 per hour OT/PT Group (3 to 5 students)  
\$140.00 OT/PT evaluations  
\$200.00 Speech evaluations  
\$350.00 Bilingual speech evaluations

Milennium Children's Therapy  
132 Wall Street  
Huntington, NY 11743  
OT/PT/Speech:  
\$50.00 per 30 min. individual OT/PT/speech  
\$75.00 per 45 min. individual OT/PT/speech  
\$100.00 per 60 min. individual OT/PT/speech  
\$35.00 per 30 min. per child group  
\$52.50 per 45 min. per child group  
\$70.00 per 60 min. per child group  
\$275.00 per evaluation

New York Therapy Placement  
5225 Nesconset Highway  
Pt. Jefferson, NY 11776

OT/PT/Speech:  
\$39.00 per 30 min. individual in District OT/PT/Speech  
\$57.00 per 45 min. individual in District OT/PT/Speech  
\$76.00 per hr. individual in District OT/PT/Speech  
\$130.00 per individual in District Evaluation  
\$40.00 in District screenings  
\$35.00 per hr. in District Special Ed Consultation  
\$56.00 per 30 min. in District group OT/PT/Speech  
\$83.00 per 45 min. in District group OT/PT/Speech  
\$112.00 per hr. in District group OT/PT/Speech  
\$47.00 per 30 min. individual home/pvt OT/PT/Speech  
\$65.00 per 45 min. individual home/pvt OT/PT/Speech  
\$84.00 per hr. individual home/pvt OT/PT/Speech  
\$138.00 per individual home/pvt Evaluation  
\$48.00 home/pvt screenings  
\$63.00 per 30 min. home/pvt group OT/PT/Speech  
\$90.50 per 45 min. home/pvt group OT/PT/Speech  
\$118.00 per hr. home/pvt group OT/PT/Speech  
\*note: groups are 3 to 5 students

O'Connell, Selig & Associates  
709 W. Jericho Turnpike  
Huntington, NY 11743

OT/PT:  
\$45.00 per 30 min.

Out-East Therapy  
P.O. Box 1312  
Center Moriches, NY 11934

Speech:  
\$100.00 per hour individual/Itinerant Speech  
\$84.00 per hour group Speech (per student)

Richard W. Johnson PT  
611 Old Willets Path  
Suite 105  
Hauppauge, NY 11788

OT/PT:  
\$67.50 per 30 min. groups of 3 or more OT/PT  
\$45.00 per 30 min. individual OT/PT  
No separate evaluation rate

The Therapy Spot  
1770 Motor Parkway  
Hauppauge, NY 11788

OT/PT:  
\$45.00 per screening Elementary/Middle School OT/PT  
\$105.00 per evaluation  
\$45.00 per 30 min. individual OT/PT  
\$54.00 per 30 min. group OT/PT

17. Contract for Applied Behavioral Analysis Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following individual/organizations to provide Applied Behavior Analysis Home Aide services, for the 2008-09 school year, at the rates indicated:



All About Kids  
255 Executive Drive  
Suite LI 105/108  
Plainview, NY 11803

ABA:  
\$40.00 per 30 min. ABA  
\$43.00 per 30 min. certified ABA SEIT  
\$35.00 per 30 min. Behavior Specialist  
\$27.00 per 30 min. Teacher Assistant

Helping Hands Children Service LLC  
191 Sweet Hollow Road  
Old Bethpage, NY 11804

ABA:  
\$40.00 per hr. for ABA services  
\$90.00 ABA Consultation

Kids in Action  
252 Islip Avenue  
Route 111  
Islip, NY 11751

Home Aide/ABA SEIT  
\$47.00 per 30 min. session

Metro Therapy, Inc.  
P.O. Box 6005  
Hauppauge, NY 11788

ABA Services:  
\$125.00 per hour

New York Therapy Placement  
5225 Nesconset Highway  
Pt. Jefferson, NY 11776

Home ABA:  
\$35.00 per hour

Catherine Williams  
143 West 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Huntington Station, NY 11746

ABA Supervision:  
\$75.00 per hour

18. External Auditor's Management Representation Letter – STA - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to sign the Management Representation Letter with R.S. Abrams & Company, LLP, dated May 12, 2008 in connection with their review of the Smithtown Teachers' Association Welfare and Benefit Fund as of June 30, 2007.
19. External Auditor's Management Representation Letter – SSEA - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to sign the Management Representation Letter with R.S. Abrams & Company, LLP, dated May 12, 2008 in connection with their review of the Smithtown School Employees' Association Welfare and Benefit Fund as of June 30, 2007.
20. Contracts for Special Education Itinerant Teaching Services and Resource Room - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the following organizations, to provide Special Education Itinerant Teaching (SEIT) and Resource Room services, for the 2008-09 school year at the rates indicated:

All About Kids

255 Executive Drive  
Suite LI 105/108  
Plainview, NY 11803  
Resource Room:  
\$40.00 per 30 min. individual  
\$40.00 per 30 min. group rate per child  
\$15.00 per each additional child

Creative Tutoring  
1120 Old Country Road  
Plainview, NY 11803  
Resource Room:  
\$44.26 per hr. individual

Island Tutoring Center  
P.O. Box 5031  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
Resource Room:  
\$70.00 per hr. individual  
\$85.00 per hr. group 2 - 4 students  
\$100.00 per hr. group 5 students

New York Therapy Placement  
5225 Nesconset Highway  
Pt. Jefferson, NY 11776  
Resource Room/SEIT:  
\$39.00 per 30 min. individual in District RR  
\$57.00 per 45 min. individual in District RR  
\$76.00 per hr. individual in District RR  
\$130.00 in District Evaluation  
\$40.00 in District Screening  
\$75.00 in District Special Ed Consultation  
\$56.00 per 30 min. in District group RR  
\$83.00 per 45 min. in District group RR  
\$112.00 per hr. in District group RR  
\$47.00 per 30 min. individual home/pvt RR  
\$65.00 per 45 min. individual home/pvt RR  
\$84.00 per hr. individual home/pvt RR  
\$138.00 home/pvt Evaluation  
\$48.00 home/pvt Screening  
\$63.00 per 30 min. home/pvt group RR  
\$90.50 per 45 min. home/pvt group RR  
\$118.00 per hr. home/pvt RR

Syosset Home Tutoring  
21 Blacksmith Lane  
East Northport, NY 11731  
Resource Room:  
\$42.00 per hour Homebound tutoring or Resource Room

Top Grade  
44 Crosby Street  
Sayville, NY 11782  
SEIT:  
\$42.00 per hour Home instruction/SEIT  
\$36.00 per hour Elementary students  
\$20.00 per hour each additional student in small group

22. Increase in 2008-2009 Budget and Revenues - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in

the 2008-09 budget for the costs of run-out claims from the District’s self-funded health insurance plan in the amount of \$49,702.14.

And be it further RESOLVED, that the revenues be adjusted and increased as follows:

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to be appropriated from the Health Insurance reserve.

23. Resolution to Fund Various Reserves - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Smithtown Central School District authorizes the following transfers be made from fund balance for the reserves listed below:

Liability	\$ 145,000
Employee Benefits and Accrued Liabilities	\$1,000,000
Capital	\$12,700,000

\*Information will be sent to the Board prior to the meeting.

**Operations**

MOTION       by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mr. Rossi approving Operations **Items 2-3** on a consent motion.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

1. **(TABLED) School Lunch and Breakfast Prices, 2008-09** - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to approve the following school lunch and breakfast prices for the 2008-09 school year:

LUNCH

- Elementary schools to be increased from \$2.00 to \$2.25
- Secondary schools to remain the same at \$2.25
- Reduced priced meals for eligible students at \$ .25

BREAKFAST

- High Schools only to be increased from \$1.50 to \$1.60
- Reduced priced meals for eligible students at \$ .25

Discussion: Mr. Saggese asked for back-up information regarding the increase in prices on Item #1- School Lunch and Breakfast prices, 2008-09. It was agreed to TABLE this resolution until the July 8, 2008 meeting.

MOTION       by Mr. Saggese, seconded by Mr. Rossi to **TABLE #1** – School Lunch and Breakfast prices, 2008-09.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

2. Additions to List of Organizations Approved to Use School Facilities, 2008-09 School Year – upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following organizations, having made formal application, are hereby approved for applying to use school facilities of the Smithtown Central School District during the

2008-09 school year, subject to all school district policies, rules and regulations, Standard Uniform Practices and contract provisions.

**2008-09 SCHOOL YEAR**

Boy Scout Troop 111  
 Boy Scout Troop 349  
 Comhluct Rince Gaelacha Irish Dance Foundation  
 Cub Scout Pack 68  
 Windcrest at Galleria Hoa

3. Declaration of Obsolete Items - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following items, due to poor condition and/or obsolescence, are no longer useful to the District, and are hereby declared to be obsolete, and are to be disposed of in a manner that is in the best interest of the Smithtown Central School District:

Attached list of computer equipment at Accomsett Elementary School  
 Attached list of computer equipment at Accomsett and St. James Elementary Schools  
 Attached list of computer equipment at Accomsett MS and High School West  
 Attached list of computer equipment at Branch Brook Elementary School  
 Attached list of computer equipment at Dogwood and St. James Elementary Schools  
 Attached list of computer equipment at High School East  
 Attached list of computer equipment at Mills Pond Elementary School  
 Attached list of computer equipment at Mt. Pleasant Elementary School  
 Attached list of books at Nesaquake Middle School \*  
 Attached list of computer equipment at Nesconset Elementary School  
 Attached list of computer equipment at Tackan Elementary School  
 Attached list of items from New York Avenue  
 Attached list of music equipment at High School East  
 63 Meeks Heit Health and Wellness textbooks at High School East  
 193 paperback review books titled, Mastering New York's Intermediate Social Studies Standards

\* List available upon request

**PERSONNEL**

**Certified** – The following Certified Personnel Items were presented for the Board's approval (Attachment IX.A.1-15):

1. Notice of Resignation
2. Request for Leave of Absence, Without Pay
3. Appointment of Part-Time Teacher Assistant
4. Increase of Assignment – Change of Status
5. Appointment of Probationary Teachers
6. Appointment of Part-Time Teachers
7. Appointment of Regular Substitute Teachers
8. Appointment of Adult Continuing Education Teachers
9. Appointment of Adult Basic Education, High School Equivalency and English as a Second Language Teachers
10. Appointment of Staff for Special Education Extended School Year Program - 2008
11. Appointment of ABA Teacher for Special Education Extended School Year Program – 2008
12. Request for FMLA, Without Pay/Leave of Absence, Without Pay
13. Appointment of Substitute Teachers for 2008-2009
14. Approval of Emergency Conditional Fingerprint Clearance
15. Adjustment/Correction of Salary/Step

Ms. Ricigliano welcomed the newly appointed teachers.

Mr. Gianino, on behalf of the Board of Education, also welcomed the newly appointed teachers.

MOTION by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Knox approving the Certified Personnel Items 1-15, as detailed in the attached resolutions.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**Classified** - The following Classified Personnel Items were presented for the Board's approval (Attachment IX.B.1-5):

1. Appointments
2. Change of Status
3. Resignation
4. Summer School Program
5. Emergency Conditional Fingerprint Clearance

MOTION by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving the Classified Personnel Items 1-5, as detailed in the attached resolutions.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Mr. Gianino thanked the Administration and Mr. Rossi for saving paper by printing the agenda in double-sided fashion.
- Letter to State Education Commissioner regarding transportation contract. – No discussion.
- Letter to State Comptroller regarding transportation audit. – No discussion.
- Vehicle Use Policy

Mr. Gianino stated that it is the intention of the School Board to look out for not only our most prized possession, our children, and do the right thing for them; it is also our desire to have a homogenous and good working relationship with all of our bargaining units. Mr. Gianino then read the following quotes from the minutes of June 12, 2007: "Ms. Niles expressed her concern regarding the proposed policy. While she understands the need to have this type of policy she feels the policy is too restrictive. Auditors will look at specifically what is written. The wording in section one says the Board specifically forbids any employee to use School District vehicles for personal use; this wording forbids the employee to go to lunch. On the way home they would not be allowed to pick up a prescription. Ms. Niles suggested the wording be changed slightly to allow some incidental use of vehicles or at least take out the words "specifically forbids". Mr. Gianino responded that the Policy Committee has discussed this with counsel and the intent of the Policy is two-fold – this is not a private corporation. Counsel explained to us that policy, when put in place, is a framework. The SUP that will be established by the administration would allow for the incidental use when these employees are in district working on district time. It would not be violating District policy going from building to building or stopping to get lunch. With respect to stopping on the way home picking up things – that is precisely what we want to prevent. It is not the desire of the Policy Committee to allow employees to use taxpayer equipment to run errands. As a point of clarification on the 8<sup>th</sup> of May, in public, I had made a recommendation to the Board at the time from the Policy Committee that based on review of counsel the Policy Committee was recommending that the Policy move forward for a first reading. On that date I stated that if there were no further comments we would move forward. We believe that there was sufficient time to address these issues.

Mrs. Gerien asked Mr. Albert if there would be a contradiction with the Policy stating one thing and the SUP stating something different. Mr. Albert responded that if the SUP is carefully worded it could provide the clarification that is needed.”

On the 26<sup>th</sup> of June, with all of the Board Members present – Mrs. Gerien, myself, Mr. Raustiala, Mr. Rossi, Mr. Saggese, Mr. Schroeder and Mrs. Waldron, we unanimously approved the policy. The SUP, as it has been framed, evidently is not including the incidental use of going to lunch. I apologize, on behalf of the Board, that it has been a year since this has come to light. I would appreciate it if the administration would revisit the SUP and make the appropriate revision.

- Mr. Saggese asked to add to Mr. Gianino’s previous comment on “going green.” He noted that recently two high school students had addressed the Board about using solar power in the District. Mr. Saggese asked that the Board entertain engaging the firm H2O to prepare a formal proposal and analysis on outfitting all of the buildings in the District with solar power. Mr. Ehmann responded that the follow-up to the students speaking at the meeting was that we took a tour of HS East with the students and our engineers and they are putting together some information that will summarize what our district is already doing (and we are doing much more than people realize) they are also going to see if some of these incentives from LIPA are worth the expense of installing the equipment. And we are going to do whatever we can to upgrade the entire District with regards to energy conservation. One of the subtexts of the Mission Statement that I will be presenting to the opening day staff is the fact that we would like every teacher to make a concerted effort to save energy so that we can show them in dollars and cents how much we can save if people turn off their lights and computers. We are contracting for recycling. That is all in the mix for the upcoming year.

Mr. Saggese reiterated that he would like to get a document or proposal on solar power.

#### **MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mr. Rossi that the meeting go into Executive Session at 9:43 p.m. to discuss Particular Personnel.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

#### **RESUME MEETING**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 11:15 p.m. and indicated that no motions had been made in Executive Session.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox that the meeting be adjourned at 11:15 p.m. Motion carried.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Wilson  
District Clerk